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Application No. : 10/572,953
Confirmation No. : 4797
Applicant : Dietmar Birgel et al.
Filed : March 22, 2006
Title : Circuit Board with holding mechanism for holding wired electronic components, method for manufacture of such a circuit board and their use in a soldering oven
TC/A.U. : 2833
Examiner : T. S. Chambers
Docket No. : BIRG3005/FJD
Customer No. : 23364

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action of May 8, 2008, in connection with the above identified application.

The Official Action is a restriction requirement in which it is urged that there are two separate and distinct inventions claimed in this application. Applicants elect the Group II invention which includes claims 44-52 and 56-58, without traverse. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications on the non-elected inventions at a later time.

In view of the election of the Group II invention without traverse, an early and favorable action on the merits is now believed to be in order and is most respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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